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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO US CITIZEN

REF: A) STATE 194741, B) STATE 194180, C) SEOUL 6910 AND PREVIOUS

1. BACKGROUND: THIS IS THE 3RD CASE IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS OF THE KNP BECOMING INVOLVED IN A COMMERCIAL DISPUTE BETWEEN AN AMERICAN CITIZEN AND A KOREAN COMPANY. UNDER COPY OF AN O.M., INTERNAL MEMOS ON THE TWO PREVIOUS CASES ARE BEING FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

2. SINCE SAHEKI'S DEPARTURE TO THE US, WE HAVE AGAIN CONTACTED ASST MIN CHOE SON RHEE AT THE ECONOMIC PLANNING BOARD TO EXPLORE WAYS IN WHICH THIS TYPE OF INCIDENT CAN BE PREVENTED FROM OCCURRING AGAIN. HE REPORTED THAT THE HAD EXCHANGED HOT WORDS WITH THE KNP CAPTAIN WITH WHOM HE HAD DISCUSSED THE SAHEKI CASE. HE HAD ARGUED THE ROKG SHOULD DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ORDINARY BUSINESS DISPUTES AND CRIMINAL FRAUD. HE HOPED THE KNP WOULD DO SO IN THE FUTURE, BUT WAS UNSURE THAT SINCE THE HOME MINISTRY WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OVER THE KNP ACTS HIGHLY INDEPENDENTLY OF THE ECONOMIC MINISTRIES. TO OUR QUESTION CHOE RESPONDED THAT HE BELIEVES A FROMAL NOTE FROM THE EMBASSY TO THE
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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MIGHT BE HELPFUL.

3. WE ARE PREPARING A NOTE TO BE DELIVERED TO MOFA DRAWING ON THE LANGUAGE IN REF B, BUT ADJUSTING IT TO FIT THE CURRENT SITUATION HERE. WE WILL SEND TEXT TO DEPARTMENT FOR REVIEW BY SEPTTEL.
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